

SEWARD AGING SERVICES COMMISSION
City of Seward, Nebraska
Meeting Minutes
November 27, 2018

1. ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Seward Aging Services Commission of the City of Seward, Nebraska, was held on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at the Lied Senior Center, 1010 Manor Drive West, Seward, Nebraska. Members present: Millie Guthrie, Lisa Karel, Delmer Peters, Gary Rolf, Jim Varney, Sandy Wright, Mary Jo Yates and Seward Aging Services Commission Assistant Katrina Goldsmith. Absent: Martha Bender

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting in the following places: City Hall, County Courthouse, Lied Senior Center and Seward Memorial Library. Certificate of posting is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted at the Lied Senior Center for public inspection. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to attendance of the public.

2. BUDGET REVIEW

The budget review covered items showing credits to the account such as rentals and donations. No questions were raised.

3. POTATO BAKE – Review Price Increase proposition

Goldsmith noted that the money coming in for regular daily meals does not cover the cost. The Senior Center uses the Monthly Potato Bake as a fundraiser to help cover those food cost shortages. Some discussion ensued about what to do about it and she proposed that it would be more appropriate to raise the suggested donation from \$6 to \$7. Some wondered if that wasn't going to upset some folks. Some thought it was a good idea, given that the price had not been raised in several years. Rolf noted that folks in town need to support the Senior Center and that they need to realize that this is a fundraiser with money donated in the spirit of giving. That, "this isn't supposed to be a cheap good deal." He was somewhat surprised that someone might consider this too steep of a raise – even though it's a suggested donation. Rolf made the motion to raise it to \$7 and it was seconded by Yates. There was no discussion after that. The vote was unanimous for: Guthrie, Karel, Peters, Rolf, Varney, Wright, Yates. Absent: Bender
Opposed: None

4. CHAIRMAN & CO-CHAIRMAN – Appointment to Positions

Those whose appointments were expiring at the end of this year are Millie Guthrie, Delmer Peters, & Mary Jo Yates. The Chairman position needs to be filled and the motion was made by Peters that Varney be appointed. It was seconded by Yates. The vote was unanimous in favor with Guthrie, Karel, Peters, Rolf, Wright, Yates voting for. Absent: Bender. Opposed – none.

The Co-Chair position: Sandra Wright was nominated by Varney and seconded by Karel. The vote was unanimous in favor with Guthrie, Peters, Rolf, Varney, Wright, Yates voting for. Absent: Bender.
Opposed – none.

5. PERSONS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT BY MAYOR TO BOARD -

Goldsmith reported that Diane Hill has agreed to join the Board, should the Mayor appoint her and the City Council approve her.

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6. ASSISTANT'S REPORT

Goldsmith covered the periodic numbers reports covering September and October. The potato bake was held on Sep 21st had 200 attendees, and on Oct 25th 230 attended. In September the Center provided 510 congregate meals, and in October, 641 meals. In September there were 164 transportation trips, and in October there were 173. The Center was open (Sep) 18 days and 144 hours, (Oct) 22 days and 176 hours. Volunteer hours for Sep were 784 and Oct were 721 and the monthly door count was 1,094 (Sep) and 1,469 (Oct).

The monthly activity list was covered, noting the exercise classes available and well attended and that July 4th is open.

The next scheduled rental is not until September.

7. CONSENT ITEMS

a. Minutes

Motion to accept – Yates, Seconded – Varney. The vote was unanimous in favor with Guthrie, Peters, Rolf, Varney, Wright, Yates voting for. Absent: Bender. Opposed – none.

b. Claims: Claims were reviewed by the members.

The next meeting of the Seward Aging Services Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.
Gary Rolf, Secretary